

A True and Punctuall

RELATION

OF THE

Severall Skirmishes performed, be-
tweene the Northamptonshire Forces and a
party of the Kings Horse and Foot under
the command of Prince *Rupert* and Colonell
Verry, as they passed through those parts
into *Bedfordshire*, and the Counties
adjacent.

With the number of men kild and taken Priso-
ners by the Northamptonshire souldiers, some of
the prisoners being Irish Rebels by
their owne confession.

And how some of the Kings Troops are since fortifying
Newport-pannell in *Buckinghamshire*.

As it was sent in a Letter from *Northampton* to
a friend in *London*: and published for the better
satisfaction of all such as desire Truth
without partiality.

LONDON,

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NOTIFICATION

General William Smith and his
family of 10 persons, including
children, are to be removed
from the premises of the
Army of the United States
at the following place:

Within the number of men and women
and children, and of the family
of the said General Smith, are
included the following persons:

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SIR,



Though I feare my last Letter is not yet come to your hand, wherein I have answered your last, yet having something new that concernes this place, I know it will not be unwelcome. Upon Friday last was a Rendezvouz at *Banbury* and the adjacent Towns of foure Regiments of the Kings Horse, the Lord of *Northampton*s six Troopes, Colonell *Bel-lacis* six Troopes, the Lord *Cravens* 4 Troops, and Colonell --- foure Troopes, and two other Troops not regimented, in all 22 Troopes, but few of them, if any full; to whom was joyned 700 Foote, choice men, ten or more out of every Company in and

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about *Oxford*, they were 300 Red-coats, and 200 Blue, and 200 mixed coloured Coats, but no Colours or Ensignes amongst them, being a commanded party; these marched from *Banbury* ^{on} Saturday *Octob. 14*, to *Daventry*, and on the Lords day they came to *Longbuckby* where they stood all in one body, and about noone that day came Prince *Rupert* and the turne-coate *Urry*, with about 24 horse-men, having lyen that night before at the Crowne in *Banbury*; as soone as they came they marched to *Holdenby* with the whole body, and having refreshed themselves awhile about midnight they marchey toward *Northampton*. We had first sent out a commanded party of 24 horse to give them an Alarum, who met their Scouts at *Brampton*-bridge about two miles and half off the town, kil'd one
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of their men, & had one of ours wounded in the arme, who all retreated to *Kingsthorpe* to our body of horse within a mile of the towne; but suddenly their whole body of Horse or a great part of them came up to ours, who skirmishing retreated, and we closely followed to the walls of the town, and calling to be let in at the North-gate could not be admitted, untill first a volley of shot from the walls had removed the enemy backe to *Walbacke* about twice musket-shot from the walls, where their horse made a stand about an houre, their foot in the interim being drawne up neere *St. Andrews Mill*, about musket-shot from our great mount, whence our Canoneer let flie a piece at their Horse, and presently another from the North mount and killed two of them, which soone removed their body, the Foote marching under the favour of the hill with

without any hurt, & so marched away by *Moulton-parke* to *Billing-bridge*, all this by the light of the Moone, which shone clearly. As soon as it was day, our horse marched out againe, and tooke many of their straglers, about 40. in all most horse-men, and some very good rare horses, they marched to *Castle-Ashby* that day betimes, and the next day to *Oulny*; I need not tell you their accustomed practice of pillaging all the way they went, especially horses both from friends and foes; but especially at *Oulny*, where they left but 4 houses of any worth unplundered, & took Carts to carry away their plunder with them & so marched to *Newport*, where they intend a Garrison, though not of this, yet of another party shortly, as we are informed from *Oxford*; that so they may stop up the North-west passage to *London*, which I hope you will not be unmind-

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mindfull of. This party it is said is to go into the associated Counties of *Cambridge, Norfolk, and Suffolke*, and are yesterday at *Bedford*, we kild 4 of their horse-men, as their prisoners say, besides 2 foot-men Irish-men, who with a third man, an able bodied and stout Irish rebell, as he confesseth himselfe to be, did assault with their Muskets six of our horse-men, who riding upon them, drove them into a River, where they swom with their Armes, our men followed through a Ford, they tooke the river again, but as I heare two of them were slaine, I am sure the third is prisoner. There was another body of the enemies horse and foot came by *Towcester*, but Prince *Rupert* sent them word the service was already done, which made them returne to *Banbury* and report the Town was taken; but I hope if ever they attempt it, if it be not by treachery,

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chery, (as wee have some reason to thinke was now intended) they shall finde it another businesse then their confidence and brags makes of it: for I never saw men more jocund to goe to a sport, then the souldiers were to goe take up their quarters about the Town for the defence of it, The result of all is, that you will helpe us to give thanks for the good hand of our God toward us, who together with the temptation, hath hitherto given us a gracious issue, been our fort and fence when we were without, and I hope will still be, now he hath afforded us both, in a competent measure. I have been the more particular because you know the places.

The Troops of the Kings doe since fortifie in Newport daily, if helpe be not sent it will be a great mischiefe.

This is Licenced, and entered in the Hall booke according to order.

